Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent unregulated actions have illustrated how much our First Amendment rights are central to the values that make this country great.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves in a free marketplace of both commerce and ideas. It would not be able to serve the public interest without the free speech protections granted to all of us by the Constitution.

Furthermore, when freedom of choice controls the airwaves, we get more of what is good for a healthy free minded society, and less of what some elitist group of repressive ideologues might decide is best for us. Instead of only seeing programming produced by a privileged few who feel they—and only they—know what is appropriate for everyone, we are each free to choose for ourselves. It is important that we exercise our freedoms, rather than let some controlling entity make our decisions for us.

Sinclair's freedom to conduct its business in accordance with the rights we are all guaranteed under the Constitution illustrates a fundamental value that can only be enjoyed in a country that places its highest charge in the unfettered liberty of its citizens. ~ Claude H Miller, Norman, Oklahoma.